## AGENDA REQUEST FORM THE SCHOOL BOARD OF BROWARD COUNTY, FLORIDA

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TITLE:

Broward Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) Membership Fee

REQUESTED ACTION:

Approve the Broward Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) Membership fee.

SUMMARY EXPLANATION AND BACKGROUND:

The Broward Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) serves to influence the expenditure of federal and state funds to provide a regional transportation system that ensures a safe and efficient mobility of people and goods, optimizes transportation opportunities and enhances our community's environmental and economical wellbeing.

The Broward MPO is a transportation policy-making Board comprised of 19 voting members, including representatives from the South Florida Regional Transportation Authority/TriRail (SFRTA), the Broward County School Board and three Broward County Commissioners. The Broward MPO is responsible for transportation planning and funding allocation in Broward County. The Broward MPO works with public planning organizations, governmental agencies, elected officials and community groups to develop transportation plans.

On May 14, 2012, the Broward MPO adopted a five cent per capita membership fee per member commencing in 2014. This is the first year the Broward MPO has implemented the membership fee. The fee provides for advocacy/lobbying, members training, and other expenses authorized by the Board.

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THE SCHOOL BOARD OF BROWARD COUNTY, FLORIDA

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Approved in Open Board Meeting on:

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Here are some examples of how the District's participation in the MPO is directly impacting BCPS:

- The MPO Mobility Program is continuing its efforts to complement the goals and vision of the MPO Complete Streets initiative, filling in the gaps and connecting our pedestrian/bicycle network providing safer routes to school and safer facilities for children walking or riding their bicycles.
- The MPO has undertaken coordination efforts for bicycle/pedestrian education, outreach programs, exploring the possibilities of incorporating these initiatives in Broward County Schools.
- The MPO continues to fund the "Safe Routes to School" Program through FDOT to promote infrastructure and non-infrastructure projects that provide accessible, convenient and safe bicycle/pedestrian facilities around Broward schools.
- MPO Quiet Zone safety improvements directly affect all of the schools along the FEC corridor and provide bike education to schools; MPO activities related to Mobility Hubs, TOD (Transit Oriented Development) and economic development will increase property values, thus increasing School Board revenues due to ad valorem increases.
- -The MPO is working directly with Broward Schools STEM Supervisors on implementing, in 10 to 15 schools, an educational outreach program called TRAC (Transportation and Civil Engineering). TRAC is designed for use in Science, Technology, Engineering, and Math (STEM) classes. The hands-on activities introduce students to the work world of transportation and civil engineering and inspire them to consider careers in those fields. The program is aligned with national standards and are currently being aligned with Core Curriculum Standards of Learning.
- The MPO has already worked with Stranahan High School this past academic year on implementing two of the TRAC modules, and the MPO recently met with staff at McFatter Technology College to work on graphic design/art project centered around bike and pedestrian safety.